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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

For:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, record is being made below in a Form PTO-1449 of documents which the Patent Office may wish to consider in connection with examination of the above-identified patent application. As provided in §1.97(g), no representation is made or intended that a thorough art search was made. As provided in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(h), this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission of any kind, and specifically is not an admission that the documents listed on attached form PTO-1449 are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability of the above-identified patent application, as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

1. [] 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(1) - U.S. Direct (within 3-months of filing a regular application or converted provisional)

This information disclosure statement, submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(1), is being filed within three months of the filing date of a national application. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due.

2. X 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(2) - Via PCT (within 3 mo. of Nat'l Stage Entry)

This information disclosure statement, submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(2), is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 in an international application. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due.

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3. [] 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (b)(3) - (3 mo. after filing direct or nat'l stage entry, but before 1st O.A.)

This information disclosure statement is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (b)(3). Applicants have not received an Office Action on the merits in the present application. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due. However, in the event that this paper is crossing in the mail with a first Office Action on the merits, authorization is hereby given to charge the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed herewith if necessary.

THE FOLLOWING IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO (2) OR (3) MARKED WITH AN (X) ABOVE.

- (a) [] The Notification of Acceptance of this Application Under 35 U.S.C. §371 indicates that <u>both</u> a copy of the International Search Report and copies of the references cited therein are present in the national stage file in accordance with MPEP §1893.93(g). It is respectfully requested that the Examiner note the consideration of these references in the first Office Action via the PTO-892 form.
- (b) [X] The Notification of Acceptance of this Application Under 35 U.S.C. §371 indicates that a copy of the International Search Report is present in the national stage file. Copies of the references cited in that report are attached. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner note the consideration of these references in the first Office Action via the PTO-892 form.
- (c) [] The Notification of Acceptance of this Application Under 35 U.S.C. §371 does <u>not</u> indicate that a copy of the International Search Report and copies of the references cited are present in the national stage file. Copies of the International Search Report and references are attached.
- 4. [] 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) with fee payment (use after 1st Office Action & before Notice of Allowance to facilitate charge of the fee)

This information disclosure statement is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c). Applicants have not received a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311 as of the date of this submission. Applicants elect to pay the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). Please charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) to Deposit Account Number 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

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